



Saturday,	August 15, 2015
4:30 p.m.	Michael Kerr by the Taylors
Sunday,	August 16, 2015
7:30 a.m.	Alice Flynn
9:30 a.m.	Jack Flynn
11:00 a.m.	Edward Stanko by Andrew & Mary Smolen
Monday,	August 17, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
Tuesday,	August 18, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Bob McGinnis
Wednesday,	August 19, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Jan Coscina by her family
Thursday,	August 20, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Olga Bombara by her family
Friday,	August 21, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Art Beaulieu by his daughter Judy
Saturday,	August 22, 2015
4:30 p.m.	Ivore Bouchard by his wife Marie & family
Sunday,	August 23, 2015
7:30 a.m.	Skip Woods by his family
9:30 a.m.	Carrie Flynn
11:00 a.m.	Betty Flynn

Readings for the Week of August 16, 2015

Sunday:	Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58
Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Parish Support August 9, 2015

Please See Hardcopy Bulletin

Thank You

Calendar

8/17	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary—Gathering Space
	7:00 p.m.	Pre-baptism class—Hart House
8/23	9:30 a.m.	Little Stars—Gathering Space

St. Mary's Children's Worship Program — Little Stars has Returned

For Preschool Aged Kids (3-6 years old) NO REGISTRATION - DROP IN

This ministry is designed to educate children about the Mass and our Catholic faith. The program is created to focus on the Gospels through readings that are child-centered and activities & music which reinforce the Gospel message. We meet in the Fr. John Golas Gathering Space during Sunday 9:30 Mass

The program allows preschool children to learn about their faith while giving parents the opportunity to focus on their faith during the mass.

SIGN UP TO ATTEND!

(Helpers needed!)

Sunday, August 30

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**Knights of Columbus Pavilion,
Unionville**

**on New Britain Avenue near
Farmington Police Station**

*Make new friends within your parish community or
hang out with old ones!*

Hamburgers & hotdogs provided, along with beverages
(soda, water, coffee/tea, and beer)

Bring a side dish to share (green salad, potato or pasta
salad, appetizers, desserts, vegetable dish)

*Enter our annual baking contest with your own recipe
and handiwork (details will be emailed to registrants)*

**Sign up sheets for both RSVP and Baking Contest in
Gathering Space.**

Team Horseshoe Competition -Bounce House -New
Family Games this year!

Questions? Please email stmaryrsvp@yahoo.com



St. Mary's Human's Needs Committee

extends its gratitude for the flip tabs from metal beverage containers that were collected in June. About 45 lbs. were donated for the Shriner's Hospitals for Children. We would also like to thank you for the wonderful donation of school supplies that was collected the first weekend of August for the Town of Farmington. Your donations are greatly appreciated and will be put to good use. There are many families in town that can use the assistance.

Religious Education News



**Ehh,
What's Up,
Doc?**

Instructors, Facilitators, Hall Monitors and Presenters are needed for our religious education programs (all Religious Education grade levels, **Think First & Stay Safe** child safety program) starting in the fall. Without your volunteer efforts

these programs might struggle to get up and running. Time is of the essence as the Archdiocese of Hartford has specific requirements that all volunteers must complete prior to working directly with children. So if you or someone you know can help out - contact Deacon Tom at (860-675-8522) or st.mary.re@sbcglobal.net.

Religious Education Registration

"Time is Running Out" for you to register your children in our Religious Education Program for the 2015/2016 year. Annual registration is required for all students.



Registrations received at this late date will be processed and class assignments made on a space available basis only. Registration forms are located in the entrances to the Gathering Space. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Religious Education Office at (860-675-8522) or

Food for Thought ...

The Gospel today continues the discussion between Jesus and His fellow Jews who find His teachings difficult. Of course they would, His words are referring to their having to "eat" His Flesh and "drink" His blood. They're faithful to their ancient traditions and hold tightly to the history of God's having created their nation and preserved them many times. They celebrated faithfully the Exodus and the feeding in the desert with "manna" which was bread from heaven. This is sacred history and Jesus is inviting them to something new and terribly puzzling to their minds and religious senses.

In a mere eight verses, Jesus refers to "life" and "living" nine times. So the eating of His Flesh and the drinking of His Blood is not a one and done act and that's all there is to that. The faith which moves us to eat and drink of this tremendous surprise, is to be lived in the washing of our hands, the doing of our homework, and all the other experiences of life through which Jesus moves. This is the Wisdom come down from heaven. This is the faith which frees us to see more than we are looking at, both in the liturgy of the Eucharist and the liturgy of our lives.

**Stop, Look,
and Listen to this!**

RCIA

RCIA, formally known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a program specifically for adults who wish to explore the possibility of joining the Catholic Church. The RCIA program is designed for adults who are un-baptized, baptized in another Christian faith, or for baptized Catholics who have never received First Eucharist or Confirmation. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, there will be an Information Night, August 27th at 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary Gathering Space. There will be an opportunity to find out more details of this rich journey of faith-RCIA. Call Sister Maria Toce, at 860.845.8671 if you plan to attend.

St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center Chapter of "My Good Deed", a national organization which promotes the performance of positive actions to commemorate 9/11, is collecting new and "gently used" children's books and monetary donations for its Pediatric Clinic. Books can be left in bins in the Father Golas Gathering Space through Sunday, August 30. Monetary donations can be sent to the Women's Auxiliary, St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center, 114 Woodland St., Hartford, Ct 06105. Please contact Ann Waters 860 673-0358 with questions. Thank you.

Anniversary Sunday Celebration—A special Mass will take place at St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday, October 25 at 2:00 p.m. All couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th and any other special wedding anniversaries are invited. Archbishop Blair will be the main celebrant. Mass will include the renewal of marriage vows followed by a simple reception and an opportunity for a photo with Archbishop Blair. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend. Please call the rectory office 860 673-2422 to respond to this invitation. Questions regarding the Mass can be directed to C. Echandy at 860 242-5573.

From the Mouths of Babes

Dear God,
I thank you for my baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy.

Rachel Age 7

Dear Pastor,
I know God loves everybody, but he never met my sister.

Arnold, age 8